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MACAO NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Macao, April 11.

A steady downpour followed on the slow
drizzle which set in on Saturday at nightfall
and lasted till noon on Sunday. A timely
breeze.

Rubber rules the roost. Macao too has
caught the fever and some decent little
piles of spare cash and hard-earned savings
have lately drifted into the neighbouring
share markets. Enterprising minds are
already advocating rubber planting in
Timor.

Sr. H. Nolasco da Silva has taken over the
Pharmacia popular on the Praya Grande,
Jock, stock and barrel.

The Colonial Treasurer Sr. F. Menezes
has left for Japan on a two months
furlough.

The direct issue of the recent bank failure
has already split the minds of a number
of trading concerns. The bank's obli-
gations to specific individuals is reported at
\$280,000. It will be fully three months
before the commercial jury can pronounce
on the deed of embezzlement. Meanwhile
Lam Han Lin has moved away with his
household to Hongkong. The two supposed
delinquent managers are still in Macao and,
strange to say, the alleged charge of defalcation
has so far not been formally entered.
The commercial reflux is at its lowest ebb,
and to add a pathetic climax, a certain
lot of land in an important centre which
was purchased five years ago at \$1 the
square metre lately found no bidder at five
cents!

The authorities have most creditably
exercised themselves to help the creditors
tide over the crisis; but the reading of the
law precludes them from further control-
ling the sluice gates of the torrent that has
been unleashed.

Y.M.C.A. LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY.

Considerable interest was manifested in
the annual meeting of the Y.M.C.A.
Literary and Debating Society held at the
Y.M.C.A. on Monday evening. There was
a good attendance and Mr. W. Emberley
presided. The treasurer's report showed
that the session commenced with \$8.64 in
hand. During the year \$40 had been
collected in subscriptions and after paying
all expenses, which included printing for
the previous session and two socials, there
was a balance in hand of \$7.97. A bill of \$11
was due which left a debit balance of \$3.3.
Subscriptions were collected at the meet-
ing, however, which covered this amount.
Mr. Sykes was elected president for the
ensuing year; Mr. W. Emberley and E. B.
Onbey, vice-presidents; Mr. P. Currie and
Mr. E. Taylor were re-elected honorary
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The new programme for the forthcoming
season in October was then discussed.

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MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Meetings.

Noon—Meeting of Union Insurance So-
ciety of Canton, Ltd., at Head Office.
12.30 p.m.—Meeting of China Traders
' Insurance Co., Ltd., at Head Office.

Auction.

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, at the Residence of Bishop's
Lodge (South) No. 5, The Peak.
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9 p.m.—Mica and Men by H.K.
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General Memoranda.

Thursday, April 14—
11 a.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, at Messrs Hughes & Hough's
Sale Rooms.
Noon—Auction of Leasehold Properties
at Mr Geo. P. Lamont's Sales Rooms.

Friday, April 15—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture at "Dehick," Robinson Road.
2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture at 10, Humphreys Avenue, Kow-
loon.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 1910.

COMMERCIAL MORALITY IN
JAPAN.

Hon tariffs are invariably the begetters of "sinful" devices. The reflection is forced upon one after reading the speech delivered by Mr. H. V. Henson, as Chairman, at the annual meeting of the Yokohama Foreign Board of Trade. The statements therein made must surely leave a very unpleasant feeling in the minds of all who take the trouble to read the speech; for Mr. Henson's scathing exposure discloses a condition of affairs which is nothing short of shameful and throws a lurid light upon the manner in which, owing to the temptations created by heavy duties, some sections of the trade of Japan are carried on at the present day. To a certain extent Mr. Henson's revelations are not so very surprising when one recalls the big and unsavoury commercial scandals which have been unearthed in Japan during the past few years, but few Occidentals will be quite prepared to learn that foreigners have also lent themselves, equally with Japanese, to acquiescence in dishonest and unscrupulous tricks in order to unfairly fish business from their rivals. Mr. Henson, who speaks from sad experience, says the evil is so widespread throughout Japan that the Foreign Board of Trade deemed it advisable to ventilate the matter in public meeting, and he accordingly proceeded to enumerate the devious practices now pursued which threaten to entirely undermine the standards of commercial morality which all engaged in the trade of Japan must be interested in maintaining.

It was the scandal of inaccurate measurements in the matter of exports that led the European and New York Shipping Conferences to engage Sworn Measurers at Kobe and Yokohama to check shippers' figures, and the results, since their appointment, from a moral point of view have been eminently satisfactory. But there are other shipping ports in Japan

beside Kobe and Yokohama and consequently shipping companies are suffering through shippers of tea, habutai, peppermint crystals, chemicals, skins, linen, etc., deliberately making evasions of the proper value of their goods in order to cut down the freight. Mr. Henson, to illustrate the length to which the system has grown, declared he could mention that "firms of shipping agents solicit custom by guaranteeing the acceptance of cargo by Steamship Companies on advantageous measurement or weight conditions, while exporters of silk goods, who declare their shipments to be ordinary merchandise in order to obtain advantage of low freight rates, are able to cover a portion of the risk of loss that may result from wrongful declaration by insuring, under special policies issued in Europe."

But this does not exhaust the full gravity of Mr. Henson's most serious charges. Turning to imports he finds a condition of affairs that must strike an impartial observer as being gravely significant of a state of demoralisation which cannot but cause serious injury to the Empire and all concerned in its commerce. He cites the sugar industry, which seems, in the light of recent revelations in the Law courts, to have built up a system of evasion of import duty and consumption tax which, while it has done irreparable injury to the genuine importer, must, during the past ten years, alone have deprived the exchequer of many thousands of yen of revenue. Then in regard to textile fabrics, penalised under the Japanese tariff with a high rate of ad valorem duty, misleading invoices are regularly submitted to the Customs. Mr. Henson says that this fraudulent practice has grown until the systematic writing down of values for Customs purposes has become almost a recognised feature of certain trades. He mentions one notorious case "where a large order for locomotives was secured by undervaluation in invoices, the bill-heads of the suppliers being printed in Japan and the documents rewritten for presentation to the Customs." Again we read—"The practices complained of have been developed into a fine art, and in imports, as in exports, there are firms of landing agents whose title to consideration lies in their ability to pass goods at rates lower than those of competitors."

Desperate ills require desperate remedies, and we certainly think that the revelations here made disclose a desperate condition of affairs, calling for remedial measures of a drastic nature on the part of the Japanese Authorities, the Chambers of Commerce, and the merchants of Japan. Mr. Henson pledges the support of the Foreign Board of Trade in any measures which the Imperial Customs may take and he suggests that certificates of origin be attached to or stamped on original suppliers' invoices and that none but signed suppliers' invoices be accepted. By this means alone, in his opinion, can the swindling devices now so prevalent be wiped out, for it seems that when manufacturers decline to supply an invoice with figures below the actual cost, "shipping agents of buyers themselves make the required alterations." The sooner the trade of Japan can be purged of this dishonesty the better for all concerned, but particularly for the honest merchant who, under present conditions, must find himself almost driven to the wall.

Telegrams from Liverpool report that the four-masted sailing vessel Kate Thomas, of Sunderland, while being towed round Land's End, was run into by an unknown steamer and foundered in ten minutes. Fifteen men were drowned, an apprentice being the sole survivor.

After forty-one years in China, Mr. Dunlop Glass, Superintendent of the Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Company's wharves, has retired. On the eve of leaving Shanghai for England, he was presented with a massive silver cup, a set of gold and pearl sleeve links, studs and scarf-pin, together with an address.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

H.M.S. Monmouth, with a new crew on board, arrived here this morning, having come from Manila, whither she went after recommissioning at Colombo.

According to telegrams appearing in Japanese papers a state of civil war exists in Abyssinia, the Empress Taitou especially resisting the attempt to dethrone her.

We are asked to mention that the annual Variety Dinner will be held in the Hongkong Club on the 21st inst. An advertisement will be found on the back page.

The N. O. Daily News learns that the well-known firm of Krupp has made the handsome donation of half a million marks, or £25,000, to the German Medical School at Shanghai.

There were 488 European and 249 Chinese visitors to the City Hall Library, and 178 European and 2,390 Chinese visitors to the Museum, during the week ending April 10th.

Among the passengers leaving for Home to-morrow by the s.s. Miyazaki Maru are Mr. and Mrs. Boulton, Mr. David Wood and Mr. H.A. Lammett. The complete list will be found on our back page to-morrow.

The Captain of the Pericles, wrecked near Cape Lawin, attributes the disaster to an uncharted rock seven and a half miles from shore. The insurance on the vessel and cargo is estimated at £500,000.

On the 27th ultimo, an avalanche fell in Naka-Togari district, Aomori Prefecture, Japan, with the result that upwards of one hundred workmen, who were engaged in transporting timber, were buried alive.

Mr. Kanahira Toyotaro, Director of the Dai Nippon Sugar Manufacturing Company and manager of its Formosa branch, has committed suicide on board the Kamakura Maru. Nervous breakdown is the attributed cause.

The former London liners of the N.Y.K., the Sanuki Maru and the Kinakuru Maru, are now running between Japan and Formosa. Competition between the N.Y.K. and the O.S.K., has resulted in much rate-cutting.

The dynamite explosion in Kobe harbour greatly damaged the Oriental Hotel and the Tor Hotel, while also releasing 70,000 cubic feet of gas from the gas-works. The loss of life was insignificant. Many houses and godowns were wrecked.

Dispatches from Stettin report that a balloon with four passengers including Herr Delbrück, a member of the Reichstag, fell into the Baltic Sea. One of the passengers was picked up dead and another seriously injured, while the other two, including Herr Delbrück, are missing.

A paper will be read at the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong, by Mr. J.S. Chapman (member on "Ship propulsion and the merits of reciprocating engines," on Sat. 16th April, at 9 p.m. Mr. J. F. Miller, Vice-President, will occupy the chair.

The Tairen East Breakwater, 1,220ft. long, in course of construction starting from a point near the seaward end of East Quay and "projecting outward in the northern direction will be completed during the present year, and the North Breakwater, 2,850ft. long, by the end of 1912. Work on both breakwaters is making good progress.

Alleging desertion in New York five years ago, May Yoh, who it will be remembered gave a variety concert in Hongkong last year, has brought suit for divorce from Putnam Bradlee Strong, of New York. She was married to Mr Strong in Buenos Ayres on October 3, 1902, and declares she was deserted on November 27, 1905. May Yoh met Mr Strong in Hongkong and is said to have travelled to South America with him, where she married him. In 1907, on her arrival from the East, she lived in Portland under the name of Mrs. Fellows.

In the annual report of the Yokohama Foreign Board of Trade we find the following paragraph—"Fire on the s.s. Prinz Ludwig.—The Agents of this steamer have drawn the attention of the Board to the fact that the fire discovered on board in Hongkong harbour, and which resulted in very serious damage to the valuable cargo, had originated in the space occupied by cargo shipped in Japan. As this is by no means the first occasion on which extensive damage has resulted from an outbreak of fire among Japan cargo, it is reasonable to assume that proper care is not exercised in the packing of such cargo; in fact, it is only too probable that much dangerous cargo is shipped from Japan without proper declaration of its nature being made."

LICENSING BOARD.
A meeting of the Licensing Board was held in the Colonial Secretary's Office this afternoon for the purpose of considering the application of Richard Francis Daly for a publican's licence to sell by retail intoxicating liquors on premises Nos. 22 and 31, Des Voeux Road Central, under the sign of "The Owl Grill Rooms." Applicant is at present the holder of an "adjunct licence on the same premises."

The Colonial Secretary (Hon. Mr. Henry May) presided and there were also present the Colonial Treasurer (Hon. Mr. A. M. Thomson), Messrs E. Osborne, D. W. Craddock and A. Shelton Hooper, with Mr. G. A. Woodcock, secretary.

The Secretary stated that there were no police objections.

After consideration the Board refused the application.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Sir Ernest Shackleton has been banquetted by the Pilgrims' Club in New York.

Mr. Bennett, the vocalist of the Withers Concert Party, has decided to settle down in Shanghai.

Sir John and Lady Jordan, accompanied by their daughter, have left Peking, travelling to England via Siberia.

Mrs. Aglen, wife of the new deputy Inspector General of the Imperial Maritime Customs of China, is a niece of Mr. Asquith, the British Premier.

It is interesting to note that Mr. Aglen is junior to no fewer than thirty-two members of the Indoor Staff of the Maritime Customs, eighteen of whom are British and six are Sinitar, Commissioners.

Mr. Haldane, Secretary of State for War, addressing his constituents, admits that it is difficult to say whether the country did or did not declare for the Budget. He is the only Minister who admits that there is any doubt on the point. Mr. Haldane advocates the retention of the House of Lords but declares it must be rendered impotent.

RATS IN KOWLOON.

Dr. W. Pearce, Assistant Medical Officer of Health, reported at the meeting of the Sanitary Board, this afternoon that the total number of rats caught during March in old Kowloon was 2,031, giving an average of 65.5 per day. There were 138 taken in Kowloon City, giving an average of 4.48 per day. This showed a marked improvement over the figures for January.

ITEMS AT THE COURTS.

Mr. E. R. Hallifax fined a keeper of an opium den \$100 and twenty-three persons, who were found smoking there, \$4 each, at the Magistracy this morning.

A fine of \$200 was imposed on a native by Mr. E. R. Hallifax, at the Magistracy this morning for being in possession of twenty tads of opium dross in Hollywood Road.

UNION CHURCH.

The report of the activities of Union Church, Hongkong, for 1909-10, which is to be presented to the annual meeting of shareholders to be held to-morrow (Wednesday) evening, states that the Treasurer's statement shows a credit balance of \$80.00, compared with a debit balance of \$765.60 last year. Reference is made to the loss sustained by the removal of such staunch and long-trying friends as Dr. J. C. Thomson, Mr. J. Dyer Ball, Mr. W. Wilson, Mr. R. Mitchell and Mr. J. Ramsay, and it is also recorded that during the year a mural tablet was inserted in the northern wall of the Church, above the pew formerly occupied by the late Mr. D. R. Crawford and Mrs. Crawford, whose long and faithful connection with the Church, and loving interest in its life and work, are thus fittingly commemorated. This tablet was erected by the family.

The three Sunday Schools have been well supported throughout the year. In each case the Superintendent has been changed. Mr. A. S. D. Coulson on accepting another office in the Church has been succeeded by Mr. E. B. Cubey, Mr. T. Hamilton conducts the Kowloon School, while Mr. A. McCallum presides at Quarry Bay. This Sunday School accounts show a credit balance of \$44.25, compared with \$10.95 last year.

HONGKONG AND THE IMPERIAL EXHIBITION.

The Hongkong Chamber of Commerce, having been approached by the Government in relation to the question of the Colony participating in the Imperial Empire Exhibition to be held in London in 1913, has replied stating that the Colonists are willing to furnish the local European houses with full particulars of the promoters, send the usual circulars and forms of application for space—say about 250. Regarding the Chinese Hong, it would appear desirable for the Registrar General to represent to the Chinese manufacturers of silverware, ivory ornaments, carved blackwood, bambooware, &c., and particularly those who already exhibit in the Colony's Court at the Imperial Institute, the advantage likely to be gained by sending exhibits. Beyond the above recommendations, involving little, if any, expense, the Committee do not consider the Government need go.

SMALL-POX ON MONTEAGLE.

Vessel Quarantined at Victoria.

When the C.P.R. steamer Montegale arrived at the quarantine station at William Head, Victoria, on March 11, it was found that there was a small-pox patient aboard. The steamer was at once moored at the quarantine wharf and the patient removed to the quarantine hospital. The patient, Rev. John Shinmon, one of the saloon passengers, was taken ill five or six days out, and at once it was suspected that the trouble was small-pox. He was kept well away from all the other passengers and members of the crew, and up to the time of arrival no other cases had developed. The patient is a returning missionary. The passengers, 40 in number, 40 saloon and 6 steerage, were all removed from the steamer, and were to be held at the quarantine station for perhaps eighteen or twenty days. If any cases developed in the meantime they might have to be kept longer. The ship was to be liberated after thorough fumigation in two or three days.

JAPANESE ROYALTY IN RUSSIA.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, April 12.

T.I.H. Prince and Princess Fushimi Junior, will lunch at Istarok-Selo when the Empress will be present. The Acting Foreign Minister (Mr. Sazonov) and wife as well as the Japanese Ambassador and wife have been invited.

JAPANESE STATESMEN VISITING ENGLAND.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, April 12.

Reuter's correspondent at Mauritius wires that the Japanese cruiser Ikoma has arrived en route to England with Viscount Saki, Baron Yamada and 14 members of the Japanese Parliament on board.

The Governor is to give a dinner and evening party in honour of the distinguished visitors on Wednesday.

SUEZ CANAL DECISION.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, April 12.

In the House of Commons Mr. T. Mackinnon Wood, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in reply to Mr. Hall, stated that the interest of the British Government in the Suez Canal, which was valued at 25 millions, would terminate as the result of the refusal of the Egyptian Assembly to extend the concession.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE ANNOYED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, April 11.

Mr. Lloyd George, in an interview, declared that Mr. O'Brien's statements as to promises of relief held out to the Nationalists under the Budget were grossly untrue. The whole affair, he said, was a disgraceful breach of confidence.

FRANCHISE DEMONSTRATIONS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, April 11.

The franchise demonstrations in Berlin proved a great triumph of orderliness and organisation. Fully 160,000 participated, and the police did not require even to put in an appearance.

Similar demonstrations were held throughout Prussia.

THE REPUBLICAN SPLIT.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, April 11.

President Taft, speaking at Washington, appealed to the Republican legislators to unite and redeem the party pledges, and said that dialyogists did not deserve the name of Republicans.

PERFECTLY SAFE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, April 11.

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WORTH HAVING.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, April 11.

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PRICE OF OPIUM.

50 PER CENT. RISE AT SINGAPORE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SINGAPORE, April 11.

The Government has raised the price of opium by 50 per cent., which corresponds with the rise in India.

SINGAPORE AND THE SHIPPING "RING."

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SINGAPORE, April 11.

The Legislative Council to-day considered Dr. Galloway's motion for legislation against the local shipping "ring's" deferred and preferential rebates.

The Council, including the Government members, entirely, with the exception of the Hon Mr. C. W. Darbishire, favoured the motion, which was accordingly carried.

COUNCIL TO LEGISLATE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SINGAPORE, April 12.

The Government is introducing legislation to free the Colony's trade from the effects of shipping conferences.

Dr. Galloway, an Unofficial member, yesterday introduced a motion on the subject at the Legislative Council, when the Colonial Secretary announced that the Government was in sympathy with the same and that legislation was under consideration.

The motion was carried, there being one Unofficial dissentient, namely Mr. Darbishire, manager of Messrs Paterson, Simons and Co.

[Note:—Dr. Galloway's motion, as originally set down, was in the following terms:—"That the Unofficial members of this Council, having received and taken into consideration a petition from 92 European firms, 140 European bankers, lawyers, professional men, etc., 300 Chinese and Chinese firms, including the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, and 110 Indian and Mahomedan firms, requesting them to approach Government with a view to action being taken to free the trade of this Colony from the effects of shipping conferences, recommend that a bill be introduced at an early date to deal with the matter."—Ed.—G.M.]

MACAO DELIMITATION.

(Wah Tze Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, April 12.

Further negotiations are taking place between the Board of Foreign Affairs and the Portuguese Minister with regard to the Macao delimitation question, but no conclusion has so far been possible owing to the Portuguese Minister still remaining firm in his demands.

FORGIVEN, BUT EXILED.

(Wah Tze Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, April 12.

The Board of Colonies has telegraphed to H.E. Lin Yu, the Senior Amban of Tibet, to the effect that the Dalai Lama has been forgiven, but that if he returns to Tibet he should be sent to the Wa Tsi Mountains in Szechuan Province, there to live for the rest of his life.

THE DALAI LAMA'S FATE.

(Wah Tze Yat Po's Service.)

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ALLEGED CONSPIRACY.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistrate's Court this afternoon S. A. Mariani was charged with conspiracy with Ali Din and others.

Mr. Sheaton prosecuted and Mr. Roscoe defended.

Mr. Sheaton said defendant was charged with conspiracy and the charge was that with Ali Din and others conspired to commit an assault upon S. E. Allana. Proceeding with reference to this charge of assault had already been before Mr. Hallifax and Ali Din had been convicted and in pursuance of those proceedings the present charge was brought.

The evidence consisted chiefly of conversations between defendant and other members of the Indian community. An assault was committed on Allana in Wyndham Street. He would prove that defendant and Allana had previously had close business relations during which certain transactions took place, consisting chiefly of fraud, and it would be greatly to the benefit of defendant if Allana was no longer in the Colony.

Mr. Captain said that Mariani had told him that Allana was to be careful and leave him alone as, if he did not, he would break his head besides a number of other things. Defendant had also said that if he did not do it he had plenty of other people who would do it. In the course of further conversation defendant was alleged to have said that if the Captain had got a chance he would have fired Allana.

Evidence was called and the case was adjourned.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ELECTIONS.

The following gentlemen have been elected to fill the vacancies on the committee of the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce caused by the resignations of Messrs D. R. Law, H. E. Tumkins, and A. Babington, respectively:—Mr. H. W. Robertson, Mr. F. E. Armstrong, Mr. W. H. Medhurst.

It has also been decided to ask Mr. Simon A. Levy, of Messrs. E. D. Sassoon and Co., to be a seat on the Committee during the absence of Mr. E. Shellman from the Colony.

LIGHTING OF CAPSULUM PASS.

Shipping People Satisfied.

The proposals of the Government in reference to the lighting of Capsulum Pass have met with the hearty approbation of the shipping people of the Colony, who are unanimous in their thanks for what is about to be carried out.

"The Hongkong Chamber of Commerce who have done much to bring the grievances of mariners on the subject to the notice of the proper authorities, recently wrote Capt. R. D. Thomas, of the s.s. Hongkong, enclosing for the information of his co-signatories a copy of the Government's letter indicating the decision to place a light and explosive fog-signal bell on Kaping Island. Letters were also forwarded to the chief shipping firms, and in reply came a chorus of approval.

Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Co. wrote passing on the remarks of Mr. Harris, their Canton agent, in the matter. His observations were:—"Regarding the Government's proposal to light Capsulum Pass by means of an acetylene light together with fog-signals, I consider this ample for the purpose of safe navigation, more especially as the proposed light has good bearings, and will be situated on Kaping Island."

In the reply from the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co. it was stated:—"The Commanders of this Company's vessels are of the opinion that this light will provide a better lighting of the Capsulum Channel and will meet the requirements of the traffic."

Messrs. Butterfield and Swire wrote that in their opinion the Government's proposal would be "of considerable assistance to the shipping passing through the light."

Speaking at the last meeting of the Chamber, the Chairman (Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett) said the replies from the shipping companies showed the satisfaction they felt at the adoption by the Government of the suggestion for the better lighting of one of the most used approaches to the Harbour.

CHILI AND PERU.

Diplomatic Relations Suspended.

A dispute has arisen between Chili and Peru whereby diplomatic relations have been suspended by Peru, the latter power taking the usual course of withdrawing her representative from Santiago.

When the Spanish American colonies were made independent of Spain in 1810 their respective boundaries remained unsettled, which later on caused much serious litigation among the surrounding nations. Chili and Bolivia claimed the right to put an end to the trouble with Bolivia. Chili gave up Antofagasta, thus giving them a natural outlet to the Pacific on the condition that they should not levy any fiscal tax on the mineral products of Antofagasta, on the mineral products of Bolivia, and on the mineral products of Chili.

Peru aimed at obtaining the monopoly of the nitrate trade, large and rich regions of which had been discovered in the North of Chili, and their chief aim was to fight against the production of nitrate from Antofagasta. Peruvian E.C. priests moved into the territory and refused to obey the civil authority. Negotiations proceeded and fighting ensued.

Matters have continued like this until the present time. Chili, persisting for the sake of her own honour, that a plebiscite should be taken under conditions of perfect honesty at the beginning of 1911 as to which Power Antofagasta should belong, but up to the present time Chili has been unable to get an answer to this fair suggestion.

A few days ago the representative of Peru sent a communication to the Government of Chili informing him that he had received orders from his Government to return to Peru and protest against the measures taken in Tacna and Arica for driving out Peruvian priests.

The Charge d'Affaires at Lima a few days previously had sent in his resignation which was accepted.

This diplomatic relations between Peru and Chili are broken.

SPORTING.

The Calendar.

Wednesday, April 13.
TENNIS.—Championship final, Hancock v. Green; H.R.C.C. ground, 4.15 p.m.
Snoocro.—L.R.A. Annual Meeting, 2nd Day.

Thursday, April 14.
Snoocro.—L.R.A. Annual Meeting, 3rd Day.
TENNIS.—Brierley v. Kilmienck, 4.45 p.m.

Friday, April 15.
TENNIS.—Fourth Round of Cricket Club Tournament closes.

Saturday, April 16.
RACING.—Gymkhana Club's 1st meeting; Racecourse, 3.30 p.m.
ATHLETICS.—School Sports, Heats. Race Course, 2.30 p.m.
BULLFIGHT.—Amateur Championship final; V.R.C. 8.15 p.m.

Sunday, April 17.
YACHTING.—Royal H.K. Yacht Club Handicap and One Design Class racing; 11.30 and 11.40 a.m.

Monday, April 18.
ATHLETICS.—School Sports, Finals. Race Course, noon.

Tuesday, April 19.
ATHLETICS.—V.R.C. Sports, Happy Valley.

Wednesday, April 20.
SHOOTING.—H.K.V.R.A., Kowloon, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

Lawn Tennis.

HONGKONG C.C. TOURNAMENT.
In connection with the above tournament, which is drawing to a close, three matches were played off on Monday evening, the most interesting being the meeting of Brown and Green against Grose and Logan. The former pair proved themselves more resourceful than their opponents and secured entry as finalists in the "A" Class by 2 sets to 1 and 4 games to 12. Results:—

"A" CLASS DOUBLES.
Semi-Final.
A. O. Brown and S. E. Green (owe 4/6) beat D. F. Grose and S. S. Logan (owe 1/6) 6/3, 2/6, 6/3.

"B" CLASS DOUBLES.
Third Round.
Capt. M. S. C. Simson and Lieut. Bagall (owe 15/4) beat A. S. Kempthorne and A. H. Claxton 6/3, 6/3.

"B" CLASS SINGLES.
Third Round.
A. C. Shorey (owe 3/8) beat Lieut. N. J. Williams (owe 4/8) 6/4, 3/6, 6/1.

Y.M.C.A. TOURNAMENT.
Good progress has been made in the above tournament, the results to date being:—

DOUBLES HANDICAP.
First Round.
Packham and Richardson (scr.) beat Young and Carter (owe 15/4) 6/3, 7/5.
Piercy and Vireaux (owe 30) beat Baker and Lewis (scr.) 6/4, 7/5.

Second Round.
Edwards and Fuller (owe 15) beat Packham and Richardson (scr.) 3/6, 11/9, 6/2.

SINGLES HANDICAP.
First Round.
Young (owe 3/6) beat E. J. Edwards (owe 15/5) 6/2, 6/2.
Fuller (scr.) beat Lewis (scr.) 6/4, 3/6, 6/4.
Hickling (owe 30 3/6) beat Hinds (scr.) 6/2, 6/2.

Second Round.
Joseland (owe 15-3/6) beat R. Piercy (owe 15) 3/6, 6/4, 6/4.
Fuller (scr.) beat Young (owe 3/6) 7/5, 3/6, 6/3.
Wilks (scr.) beat Carter (scr.) 15-3/6, 6/1, 6/3.
W. N. Edwards (owe 40) beat Andrews (scr.) 15/9, 6/2.

Third Round.
Wilks beat Fuller 6/4, 7/5.

Billiards.

Best of 21.
The first game in the third round of the amateur billiard championship took place at the V.R.C. on Monday evening when Heigh met Bush. The former made an excellent break of 30 straight away and after Bush had opened with two Heigh replied with 20. However Bush quickly pulled up and reached the third hundred first while 500 later Heigh took the lead and eventually won by 41 points. The best breaks for Heigh were 30, 22, 18 (2), 15 (2), 29 and 19; and for Bush 20, 28, 18, 19, 14, 36 and 16.

Melvin v. Cooper.

This game was a very one-sided affair. Melvin running up 100 points in the first 10 minutes. The best breaks were:—Melvin, 100, Cooper, 250.

The best breaks were:—Melvin—21, 19, 23, 21, 22, 21, 28, 25, 19 and 28. Cooper—13, 16, 17 and 12.

Golf Championship.

As already reported by special wire to the China Mail, the Golf Championship of China, Hongkong and Japan, has been won at Shanghai by Mr. T. S. Forrest, of Hongkong, with a score of 188. The N.C. Daily News describing the match says:—"After several postponements the meeting was comparatively fortunate in its weather. It was a delightful day, though by no means ideal. The ground, however much improved it showed over previous days, was still suffering from the effects of the recent long spell of rain, while the greens were for the most part fast and tricky. The standard of golf was, accordingly, not of the highest. Only one couple went out in the morning, and the main interest centred in the afternoon's play, which was followed by a few spectators. Mr. T. S. Forrest was one of the morning players, together with Mr. J. B. Ferrier. The former's first round cost him the Championship, for with 6 at the second and fourth holes and 7 at the eighth he had lost too much ground to recover even with a brilliant 39 for the second round. In his three last rounds he played a steady game, comparing well with his opponent who was erratic. Mr. E. M. Montague of Hongkong might have run out winner, if he had been able to master the greens. He found most with an easy 8 but with 75 puts for 27 holes he had to be content with third place.

The winner played a very consistent game and was rarely at fault, save at the last hole in the first round when he took 8. For the seventh hole he required 5 each time, except at the first venture when he took six.

The following scores were returned:—
T. S. Forrest (Hongkong)
4, 4, 4, 3, 5, 5, 3, 5, 41
5, 5, 5, 4, 4, 5, 5, 42
3, 5, 5, 4, 4, 5, 5, 42
3, 4, 5, 5, 5, 5, 42=168
T. F. Longmuir (Shanghai)
5, 5, 5, 6, 4, 4, 5, 7, 43
5, 5, 4, 5, 3, 4, 4, 4, 39
4, 5, 5, 5, 4, 4, 4, 4, 34
5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 4, 4, 35=170
E. M. Montague (Hongkong)
48, 39, 40, 43, 170
J. B. Ferrier (Shanghai)
43, 40, 49, 42, 180
R. M. Smith (Shanghai)
43, 40, 49, 42, 181
P. Peebles (Shanghai)
48, 46, 43, 44, 181
A. R. W. Menzies and J. Dewar also competed.

HOME SPORTING NOTES.

(Specially written for the "CHINA MAIL.")

LONDON, March 15.

The victory of Wales over Ireland at Rugby football was not such a runaway affair as the score would indicate (19 points to 3). It was a very hard-fought game, in fact the score at half time was a try all. It was only in the last twenty minutes that the Irish forwards, who had been playing finely, lost heart, and then the Welsh backs piled on the agony. The Irish backs, as usual, were very good in defence, but when it came to attacking they failed to make use of their opportunities. Until Ireland can discover backs who are effective in attack, her victories will be few and far between. Her forwards cannot be improved upon, and are quite the best pack in the four countries.

The teams chosen for the Scotland v. England match at the end of the week have given general satisfaction and the game is being looked forward to with intense interest, as upon it depends the Champion ship. If England wins, she will of course be the champion country; if she draws, she will share this honour with Wales, but if she is beaten then Wales and Scotland hold the honour.

All the seats for the game at Edinburgh have been long since sold and everything points to a stadium fight for the possession of the Calcutta Cup for the ensuing year. Birkett has been chosen captain of England instead of Stoop, who is, however, playing at half, being perturbed by Godley of Tonbridge and Oxford. There are some changes among the forwards, the most important being the revival of Dibble of Somerset as a leader. He has not been chosen in any of the trials or Internationals this season. Cunningham, Oxford's captain, has been again selected to skipper Scotland. The Edinburgh men with their most powerful backs at the hands of Leicester by a try, gained five minutes before the close, to nil. The ground was in a shocking condition owing to the continuous rain during the week, therefore combination was upset, much to the disadvantage of the game, who on a dry ground would certainly have reversed the verdict. The London Scottish overcame the United Services by a point, Blackheath drew with London Welsh, while Rosely Park swamped Richmond.

H. R. H. The King was at Lord's for the final for the Hospital Cup at Richmond, on a very wet day, by 8 points to 3, and here again the losers would most probably have won on a dry ground. Their back division came off very well, but the forwards at all "Blue", while they had a couple of internationals and an old Blue in the scrum.

Rain fell during the whole of the game, consequently the ball became slippery as a rule, which made handling very impossible. The Spring last week also witnessed England's victory against Ireland at Antrim by 4 goals to one at Queen's Club, Kensington, and as it was also present when the Royal Navy beat the Army, at Rugger and England beat Wales, his keen interest in the game was much appreciated by everyone. The medical students gave him a tremendous reception at Richmond, when, after the match, he handed the Cup to the Guy's Captain.

The Oxford and Cambridge Athletic Sports are to be held in a few days time. Oxford seem to possess the better team, as Hull, their president, who won the 100 yards and Quarter Miles last year, should again be successful, while Anderson (Hurdles) and Brown (Three Miles) are also the favourites. Putnam ought to win the Hammer Throwing with ease. Oxford should secure in addition the Long Jump. In the Half Mile, One Mile, High Jump and Putting the weight, Cambridge have the advantage.

Of course, this is all paper form, being based on the results of their own Sports. The Lincoln Handicap resulted in a win for Clindrella by a neck from Forerunner II with Norman III third. Delirium the favourite, ran fourth. Twenty seven horses faced the starter, the winner's price being returned at 9 to 1. Forerunner II started at 33 to 1 and Norman III at 40 to 1.

Interest is now centred on the Grand National in three days' time, for which the weather, the favourite, has been awaited. The account of a large leg to jumping in practice. This is hard lines on his owner, who, however, will be represented by Jerry. Mr. another equally fine horse. I fancy he ought to win, but Judas, last year's second, will go very close, but the course is so long, 4 1/2 miles, and the jumps so high, that naming the winner is a very arduous task.

CHAMBERLAIN'S PAIN BALM A HOUSEHOLD LINIMENT.

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OUR LONDON LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, March 23.

Information from India as to the conditions among the natives are, to say the least, sombre. There is hardly an official in Northern India who does not receive letters every day threatening his life. The trouble is that these letters cannot all be explained away by the statement that they are the work of hot-blooded youths and are not representative of the feeling of the mass of the people. But it must be remembered that they represent the feelings and thoughts of the rising generation. A people raised on class hatred are sure to come to an impasse with Europeans sooner or later and as the old time native officers pass to the reserve and their places are taken by young men whose training has been contaminated by the seditions teaching that is obtained abroad, the dangers increase. Of course, the fact that the artillery is an entirely British branch of the service is a source of strength, but there is anxiety to discover what role the younger generation of native officers will play.

British peers are going towards reform, with the readiness of a patient on his way to the dentist's chair, determined to get the operation over, but very reluctant to push the electric bell that procures admission to the chamber of the man with the pincers.

The situation still centres round the hereditary principle that is being discredited so heavily lately. This is a curious fact considering the weakness now shown in the Liberal attack. It proves that England is possessed by a far stronger clinging force than gains its impetus from mere political machinery.

I understand that if Lord Rosebery's scheme of "reform from within" comes to a definite shape it will involve a very substantial reduction in the representation of the episcopal bench. Excluding the two Archbishops, there are at present 24 bishops with seats in the House of Lords. Reforming Lords will probably propose that this number be reduced to ten. The plan also embraces the introduction of 50 nominated life peers. The extent of life peerages and the drawing from the great corporations, however, does not appear to have been settled even by Lord Rosebery himself and it is already clear that this is a point around which the greatest controversy will rage when the proposals come to be considered in the House of Lords.

Although Lord Rosebery made no reference in his speech as to introducing a colonial element into the House of Lords, this Imperial aspect of the question appears to be a very large number of peers. The possibility of bringing into the Second Chamber some representation of the dominions overseas is an idea which has long appealed to responsible statesmen and has, I believe, the warm advocacy of Mr. Joseph Chamberlain. The difficulty was, as Lord Rosebery points out, to be found not so much in this country as in the colonies but, as a way out, the suggestion is made that the High Commissioners of the different colonies stationed in London should have the right to vote and vote in the Upper Chamber during their term of office.

Lord Rosebery's new scheme has a good many points in common with the one he propounded in 1888. He then proposed that out of the whole hereditary peerage, including the Scottish and Irish peerages, a select number of peers should be elected to serve in the House of Lords as is done at present with regard to the peerages of Scotland and Ireland, introducing, however, some system of minority representation. He advocated also the creation of life peerages and the election of a number of lords of Parliament should be chosen by the more important of the Town Councils and County Councils. On that occasion he favored the representation of the larger colonies, and proposed to nominate persons to be nominated by Ministers as their representatives. In the event of a deadlock arising between the reformed House of Lords and the House of Commons he proposed in 1888 that the matter be settled by the vote of the two Chambers sitting together.

King Edward is still in the centre of the strife, in spite of frenzied efforts to keep him out. Special reports are sent to him every night of the doings in Parliament, for usage precludes him from ever getting information about it first-hand. Were he a few decades younger, however, he might circumvent the barriers of custom by following the precedent of Peter the Great. When that mighty Czar visited England he was very anxious to study the machinery of the British Government, and his purpose he wished to view it unobscured. Up on the roof of the House of Lords he climbed and got a skylight. The lords temporal and spiritual became conscious that there was someone on the stairs and turned their gaze upwards. Gradually the new monarch among them that the peeping Tom was the Czar of Russia. Then history took possession of the poorly old gentleman and Peter climbed down convinced that he had seen the most remarkable assembly of lords in the world. He did not start a Parliament when he got home.

Turning to the Commons one sees an extremely intricate game just now being conducted on the Liberator's chess-board, with each side playing for position. There is a general agreement that the Liberal side may be the manoeuvres on either side, a General Election cannot be escaped in June; and there is a haunting fear at the present moment that this may result in leaving the Nationalists arbiters for the moment of the situation.

The imminence of the peril is such that the party managers on both sides are already busy preparing for the dissolution and the Liberal arrangements for candidates in constituencies where there is any fair chance of winning seem to be advanced. The Conservative managers are also taking measures in the same direction, though not with the same celerity.

I hear that there is one bright spot at any rate, in the Ministerial outlook, and that is the assurance of an ample campaign fund in readiness for the general election. As soon as the last polls were over, certain leaders of the party, realizing that another contest was probable at an early date, made it their business to take time by the forelock in the matter of finance and I understand that five plutocratic Liberals at once guaranteed a sum sufficient to save the Whips from all anxiety. The reported total of this guarantee runs to a large figure.

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Heridly still has something to be said for it when two sons of the late Lord Salisbury get busy in the political arena. John Burns, the working man Cabinet Minister ever continues to win more praise from opponents than friends, for he is impartial and refuses party favours. So far as platform work is concerned he is practically never visited and people say their heads and wonder what it all means. The real truth is "Honest John" is using his opportunity as a Liberal Minister to run his Department at the Local Government Board in way he thinks it should be run for the good of the country, but he won't act as advocate for himself, but he won't act as advocate for many of the weaknesses. His activities are not entirely confined to his Department, however.

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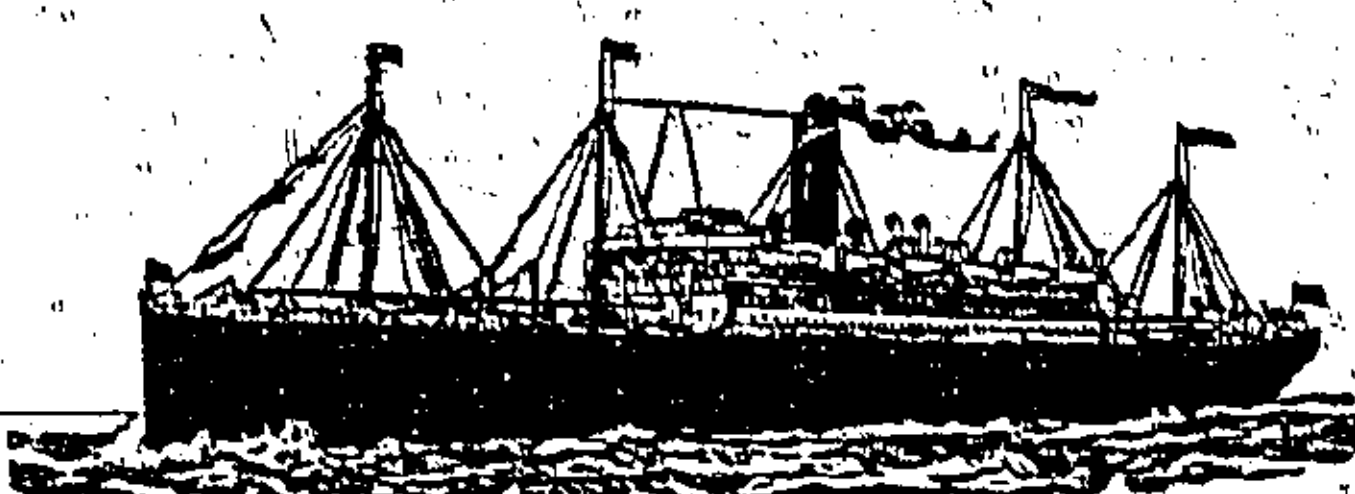
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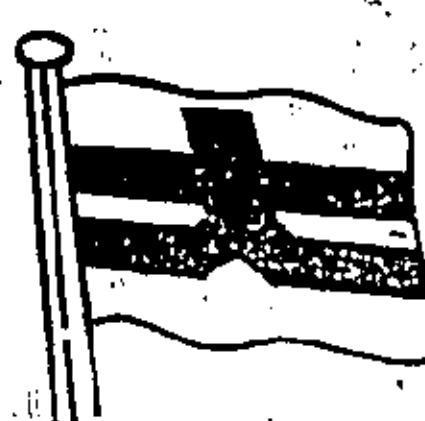
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Mild Sumatra Cigars

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Andalusia:— (Havana with Sumatra wrapper)	50	\$7.00
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WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued from the Hongkong Observatory:—
On the 12th at 12.05 p.m.—The barometer has fallen quickly in N.E. Japan, and risen moderately over S.W. Japan, and the Pacific to the East of Japan.
The depression has moved into the Pacific to the East of Japan.
The barometer has fallen again in the N.E. coast of China, probably owing to the approach of another depression from the Westward.
Pressure has increased slightly over S. China. It is highest over the Yangtze valley.
Fresh N.E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.
Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.16 inches.
Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow:—
1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: N. E. winds, fresh to fair.
2.—Formosa Channel: Same as No. 1.
3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook: Same as No. 1.
4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: Same as No. 1.

To-day's Advertisements

HONGKONG GYMNASIA CLUB.

THE FIRST MEETING of the Season will be held at HARRY VALLEY, on SATURDAY, the 16th April, 1910, commencing at 3.30 p.m.
The Charge of Admission will be \$1.00 for others than Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club or Gymkhana Club.
Soldiers and Sailors in uniform Half-Price.
The Committee invite the Ladies of Hongkong to be present.
REGINALD F. C. MASTER,
Hon. Sec. & Treasurer.
Hongkong, April 12, 1910.

THE DOGS' HOME, YAU MATI.

(NEAR TO THE DISINFECTING STATION).

WILL receive all STRAY DOGS from the Police, and is open for SIX DOGS, DOGS OF OWNERS GOING ON HOLIDAY, and DOGS FOR SALE. European management. Reasonable terms. Persons claiming strays, wishing to buy, sell, or otherwise arrange for dogs should apply before 9 a.m. or after 5 p.m. to the MANAGER, 9, DISINFECTING STATION, YAU MATI.

Hongkong, April 12, 1910.

FINEST OREGON APPLES

ANOTHER SHIPMENT

JUST ARRIVED.

30 cents = per lb.

H. RUTTONJEE & SON,
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AUSTRIAN NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND KOBÉ.

THE Co's Steamship CHINA.

Captain BERGMANN will leave for the above places on TUESDAY, the 13th inst.

This steamer has special accommodation for Passengers, Electric Light, and carries Doctor and Stewardess.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SANDELL, WIELER & Co., Agents, Prince's Building, Hongkong, April 12, 1910.

To-day's Advertisements

THE BIRD IN THE HAND

(A BIRD IN THE HAND IS WORTH TWO IN THE BUSH).

'THE bird in the hand' to the merchant is the customer within the store. It requires some sort of attraction in the first place to get the customer there, about the best attraction is a real, live advertisement; something good that will catch the eye that has been carefully written, artistically compiled and strikingly set. Advertisements in the China Mail and the Overseas China Mail read the best, look the best and give the best results.

Hongkong, April 12, 1910.

HONGKONG SCHOOLS' ATHLETIC SPORTS.

MONDAY, APRIL 12th, 1910.

THE ANNUAL SPORTS will be held on the Race Course on the above date, commencing at 12 Noon.

The Rajput Military Band will be in attendance.

Competitors please note that the 'Heats' will be run off on THURSDAY, 14th inst., on the Race Course, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

Hongkong, April 12, 1910.

VARSITY DINNER.

THE ANNUAL OXFORD and CAMBRIDGE DINNER will be held on THURSDAY, April 21st, in the HONGKONG CLUB. Members of the Universities intending to be present should notify the undersigned.

F. W. GOLDING, Oxford.

H. L. O. GARRETT, Cambridge.

Hongkong, April 12, 1910.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction for account of the CONCRETE, on

THURSDAY, the 14th April, 1910, at 11 A.M., their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

SUNDAY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, Also ONE CASE OF AUSTRIAN TOBACCO.

Terms:—As usual.

HUGHES & ROUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, April 12, 1910.

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, April 12, 1910.

On London: Bank Wire... 119/8

On demand... 119/8

30 days sight... 119/8

4 months sight... 119/8

6 months sight... 119/8

On Paris: On demand... 224

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SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

April 11.

Rubi, British steamer, 1,619, A. Eraser, Manila, April 9, General.—SINGAPORE, TONGA & Co.

Swatow, Japanese str., 3,332, F. Sakai, Doorn, via Moji and Manila, April 9, Harbinger, Salt Fish and General.—OSAKA SHIPING KAISEN.

Deroucoux, German steamer, 1,057, Fr. Rahwold, Bangkok via Kohabong April 2, Rice and Meal.—BURMAH & SWIN.

Spacia, German steamer, 3,781, W. F. F. S. Shanghai April 8, General.—HAWAIIAN AMERICA LINE.

Harbinger, Norwegian steamer, 1,068, G. Andersen, Bangkok April 4, Rice.—AARLAND, THORSEN & Co.

Kagoshima Maru, Japanese str., 4,405, Minamikiwa, Mororan April 1, Coal.—HARADA & Co.

April 12.

Tenyo Maru, Japanese steamer, 7,365, Ernest Reut, San Francisco March 15, Honolulu 22, Yokohama April 4, Kobe 5, Nagasaki 7 and Shanghai 9, Mails and General.—TOYO KAISEN.

Lightning, British steamer, 3,315, A. E. Gendies, Calcutta Mar. 27, Penang April 2, and Singapore 6, General.—DAVID SAMPSON & Co., Ltd.

Hawatani, British str., 636, J. W. Evans, Swatow, April 8, General.—DOVERA STEAMSHIP CO., Ltd.

Siam, British steamer, 992, Robt. A. Binn, Amoy April 10, Ballast.—GEO. McLEAN & Co.

Shangri, British str., 1,622, E. Pottinger, Hankow via Swatow March 23.—BURMAH & SWIN.

Onang, British str., 1,787, E. J. Buller, Moji April 7, Coal.—JACKSON, MATTHEWS & Co., Ltd.

Yokohama Maru, Japanese str., 2,366, T. Sekine, Yokohama April 2, General.—NIPPON YAMEN KAISEN.

Swatow, German str., 630, A. Harbinger, Hankow April 11, General.—JACKSON & Co.

Holstein, German str., 1,103, D. Hank, Dally April 5, Coal.—JACKSON & Co.

Monmouth, British cruiser, 9,800, L. E. Power, Manila April 10.

Kuonkong, British str., from Canton, Huikwa, British str., from Canton.

DEPARTURES.

April 12.

Polynesian, for Saigon and Saigon.

Daigai Maru, for Swatow.

Swatow, for Swatow.

Chiyun, for Shanghai.

Hanching, for Swatow.

Tam, for Manila.

Kuonkong, for Hanching.

Daigai Maru, for Swatow and New York.

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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Only fully prepaid letters and postcards are transmissible by the SIBERIAN route to EUROPE.

Mails will close for:—

SWATOW, AMOI, & ANPING.

Per Sakai Maru, at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, the 13th April.

SWATOW.

Per Harbinger, at 9 a.m., on Wednesday, the 13th April.

SINGAPORE, PENANG & BOMBAY.

Per Ichiki, at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, the 13th April.

SWATOW & SHANGHAI.

Per Kuonkong, at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, the 13th April.

SWATOW.

Per Harbinger, at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, the 13th April.

NAKASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

Per Nishiki Maru, at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, the 13th April.

BATAVIA, OBERHOORN, RAMARANG, SOURABAYA & MACASSAR.

Per Hikari, at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, the 13th April.

BANGKOK.

Per Pakiat, at 1 p.m., on Wednesday, the 13th April.

TIENTSIN.

Per Heichiku, at 3 p.m., on Wednesday, the 13th April.

TSINGTAU & VLADIVOSTOK.

Per Tungus, at 5 p.m., on Wednesday, the 13th April.

KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

Per Hirano Maru, at 11 a.m., on Thursday, the 14th April.

SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & AMOI.

Per Jagan, at 3 p.m., on Thursday, the 14th April.

SHANGHAI.

Per Chennu, at 3 p.m., on Thursday, the 14th April.

Per Delhi, at 4 p.m., on Thursday, the 14th April.

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